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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Nathaniel A. BROWN et al  
International Application No.: PCT/EP99/06886  
International Filing Date: 17 September 1999  
Title: ANTIVIRAL COMBINATIONS

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The above identified application is being transmitted herewith for entry in the US National Phase under Chapter II of the PCT for the purpose of adding the priority information. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Abstract:

Please substitute the attached Abstract, which has been placed on a separate sheet of paper according to US practice, as required under 37 CFR 1.72(b)

In the Specification:

On the first line of the specification, after the Title, please add:

--This application is filed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §371 as a United States National Phase Application of International Application No. **PCT/EP99/06886** filed **17 September 1999**, which claims priority from **GB9820420.9** filed **18 September 1998**--

In the Claims:

Please delete Claim 11 and Claims 16-21.

Please amend the Claims as follows:

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